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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE NEW SALE OF AUSTRALIAN WHEAT TO CHINA

ONE OF CEROILFOOD'S TOP NEGOTIATORS REPORTEDLY HAS ARRIVED, OR WILL SOON ARRIVE, AUSTRALIA TO DISCUSS NEW PURCHASE OF AUSTRALIAN WHEAT. TRADE SOURCES CERTAIN NEGOTIATIONS WILL BE FOR NEW CROP WHEAT, SINCE, ACCORDING TO RUMOR, AUSTRALIA RECENTLY REJECTED CHINESE REQUEST MORE OLD CROP WHEAT.

WOULD APPRECIATE ANY HINTS YOU MIGHT OBTAIN THROUGH DISCREET INQUIRIES, WHERE OPPORTUNITIES ARISE, REGARDING POSSIBLE NEW SALE TO CHINA OR CHINA'S CURRENT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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REQUIREMENTS, E.G., WHETHER CHINA TAKES ALL THAT IS OFFERED, WHETHER NEGOTIATIONS WERE LONGER THAN USUAL, WHETHER PURCHASES WILL NOW CONTINUE ON PIECE-BY-PIECE BASIS AS OPPOSED TO LONGER-TERM AGREEMENTS, WHETHER THERE IS ANY MOVING UP OF DELIVERY SCHEDULE ON EXISTING SALES, ETC. VANCE

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